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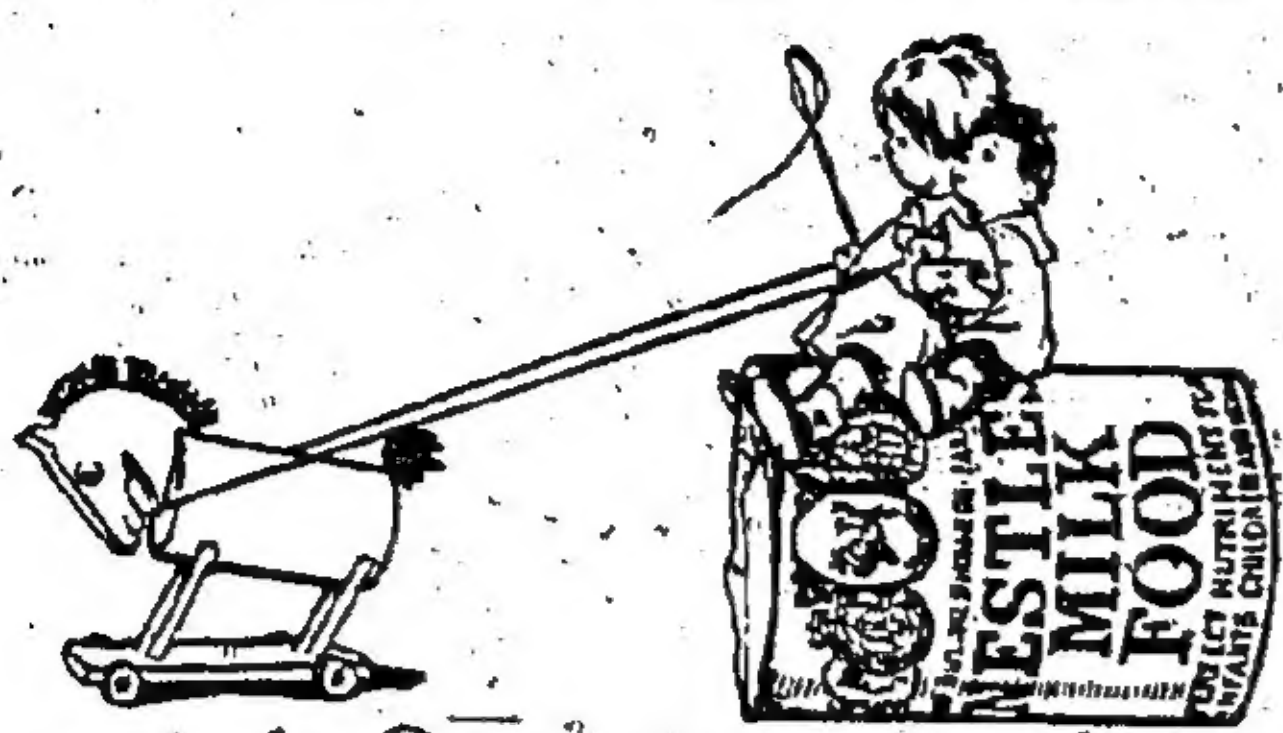
We dressed him in the head, the back,
the right shoulder, and the buttock,
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said, "Well, I think there are two
or three on my right leg, but they
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BY TELEGRAPH.

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THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE, BELGIUM AND POLAND.

BOMB DROPPED INTO DOVER.

ALLIES MAKING STEADY PROGRESS.

GERMAN AEROPLANE APPEARS OVER DOVER.

A BOMB DROPPED.

London, Dec. 24, 2.55 p.m.
The Press Bureau announces that a German aeroplane appeared over Dover at 11 o'clock this morning and dropped a bomb which exploded in a garden but did no damage. The aeroplane was only seen for a few seconds, and disappeared over the sea. A British aircraft immediately ascended, but the enemy was not seen again. The weather was cloudy and foggy.

(Official Telegram received from Chief of General Staff, India.)

THE SITUATION IN INDIA.

December 24.—The situation continues most satisfactory; the frontier is quiet. Recruiting has never been better, including trans-frontier Pathans. Considerably increased rates for wound, injury, and family pension of Indian troops have been sanctioned.

(Official Telegrams from the British Foreign Office.)

RUSSIANS DEFEAT TURKS.

Dec. 24.—The Russian Caucasus reports that the Turks were defeated in the region of Van with severe losses. The Russians captured a mountain gun.

INDIAN RULERS' GENEROSITY.

The King has accepted a fleet of motor ambulances as a Christmas gift to British Army and Navy from Maharajah of Gwalior. Maharajah and Begum of Bhopal is providing a hospital ship and the Maharajah has contributed £38,000 towards Relief Funds.

GERMANY'S ECONOMIC STRAIN.

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung says that a great danger for Germany is the stoppage of the import of saltpetre. This would result in a lack of nitrogen, which lessens harvest and also entails a shortage of ammunition and explosives. The same paper also urges stricter measures for regulating the prices of corn before it is too late.

MORE SOUTH AFRICAN REBELS CAPTURED.

The Governor-General of South Africa reports a further capture of rebels.

FRANCE ENORMOUS WAR CREDITS.

341 Million Sterling.

London, Dec. 24, 5.20 a.m.
A telegram from Paris states that Parliament voted unanimously and amidst cheers war credits exceeding 341 millions sterling. The Chamber was adjourned indefinitely.

AUSTRIA'S AGED EMPEROR.

LONDON, Dec. 25.

A telegram from Amsterdam states that Emperor Francis Joseph is celebrating Christmas in the midst of his family at Schönbrunn.

RUMOURED TO BE DYING.

LONDON, Dec. 24, 5.20 a.m.

A telegram states that it is rumoured in Rome that the Emperor Francis Joseph is dying and that he has received the last sacraments.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE TREATY OF GHENT.

LONDON, Dec. 24, 5.20 a.m.

To-day being the Centenary of the Treaty of Ghent the papers in editorial point out that though the celebrations are overshadowed by the war they gain in significance by the vindication of our methods of war. As an unshakable basis of the Anglo-American sympathy, the British Committee announces that the plans for the celebration will be renewed at the end of the war.

Earl Grey, on behalf of the British Committee, cabled fraternal greetings to ex-President Roosevelt as President of the American Committee.

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

LONDON, Dec. 25, 4.50 a.m.

The evening communiqué stated:—North of the Lys the enemy bombarded the approaches to Ypres, the Commines Road and the roads from Langemarck, but delivered no attack. Our troops made slight progress in front of Laboisselle to the north-east of Albert. The German attack last night at St. Mary's wood to the east of Tracy le Val was repulsed. We are improving the trenches captured yesterday near Fuissonne and the ground taken in the district of Supt near Lannois north of Sint Die has been held and strengthened.

MORE GERMAN TRENCHES CAPTURED.

Dec. 24, 6.20 p.m.

A later communiqué adds:—We consolidated yesterday's progress in the regions of Craonne and Rheims. All the counter-attacks made against the positions which we captured near Perthes were repulsed. We took 400 metres of German trenches at Mesnil-Hurlas and afterwards repulsed a counter-attack against the positions.

The Germans attempted to resume the offensive near Villers-Tourbe but were dispersed by our artillery.

BY TELEGRAPH.

We gained a little ground at Bois-de-la-Grue, and repulsed an attack towards Bagatelle. There were no operations near Verdun on account of the mist. The enemy made an unsuccessful counter-attack on Bois-de-Consenvoye. Our artillery displaced some of the enemy's batteries on the Woivre and our infantry dashed forward at Baudesap and established itself on the ground won.

There is nothing to report from Upper Alsace.

THE SAPPERS ACTIVE.

Dec. 24, 3.50 p.m.

A Paris communiqué says that from the sea to the River Lys we advanced by sapping sand dunes held by the Germans. An attack before Lambartzyde was repulsed. We carried a group of houses at Zwartotten, south-east of Ypres, and repulsed a counter-attack, driving the enemy back as far as the southern end of the village. Despite a very lively artillery fire the Belgian Army pushed forward detachments on the right bank of the Yser to the south of Dixmude and organised the bridgehead. For in the Arras district continues, making operations impossible. Artillery combats have occurred east and south-east of Amiens, especially in the neighbourhood of Lassigny. The Zouaves throughout the day brilliantly repulsed several attacks in the region of the Aisne, where we remain masters of the German trenches taken.

ENEMY'S BATTERIES AND QUICKFIRERS OVERCOME.

LONDON, Dec. 25, 7.5 p.m.

At Bois de Lagrange, Bagatelle, Fontaine Madame and Saint Hubert we threw back five attacks, and preserved our front. We advanced between Argonne and the Meuse despite the snow far along the front. At Bourcuilles and Viquois our heavy artillery forces overcame the enemy's batteries and quickfiring allowing our infantry to dash forward. Our artillery also compelled the enemy to evacuate several trenches at Ailly and Apremont. We advanced within 1,500 metres of Cizeux.

GRADUAL AND STEADY PROGRESS.

LONDON, Nov. 25, 7.5 p.m.

A Paris communiqué states that intermittent artillery engagements have taken place in Belgium. We made progress in the neighbourhood of Vermelles, seizing part of the village of Boisselle, north-east of Albert, and also in the Libons district. The attacks resulting in these successes were of the most crushing nature and everywhere we retained the ground won. Our artillery to the south of the Oise reached German positions at Bailly, and on the plateau of Neuville. There have been artillery duels in the Aisne and Champagne, and several infantry attacks which we repulsed, especially near Berry au Bac, where we advanced slightly and completely defeated a strong counter-attack. Our previous progress at Perthes and Mesnil was followed up and consolidated. We took to the north of Mesnil a strongly fortified wood and are now masters of the whole of the enemy's first line of defence in these regions.

THE FIGHTING IN POLAND.

GERMAN REGIMENT ALMOST COMPLETELY ANNIHILATED.

LONDON, Dec. 24, 10.40 p.m.

A Petrograd communiqué says. We completely routed yesterday night considerable German forces which had crossed to the right bank of the Bzura river. One German regiment was almost completely annihilated and left behind 520 prisoners the same night the enemy made violent attacks in the Bolimoff District, but they were everywhere repulsed. The most obstinate fighting continued on the banks of the Pilica, and we drove back the Germans appearing on the right bank of the river. A battle raged along the whole front of the Nida and was particularly fierce on the lower bank. We have taken in the last two days northward of Pinczow eight officers and 600 men. Our successes of the preceding days south of the Vistula continued. There is no essential change elsewhere.

THEIR MAJESTIES XMAS WISHES TO THE FORCES.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

Every soldier in the trenches, and every sailor in the North Sea, along with those who are wounded in the hospitals, will receive to-morrow a personal greeting from the King and Queen on cards bearing their Majesties portraits and Christmas wishes in facsimile writing. The King has made a special sitting in khaki uniform for the soldiers, and in the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet for the Navy. The card for both the soldiers and sailors is inscribed as follows:—"May God protect you and bring you home safe."

The card for the wounded is inscribed as follows:—"May you soon be restored to health."

The cards are enclosed in a special envelope bearing the Royal Arms in a setting of crimson.

One hundred and eighty packing cases were needed for the conveyance of the cards.

AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE ACTIVE.

LONDON, Dec. 21, 4.20 p.m.

A Paris official telegram states that the Austrian cruiser launched two torpedoes at a French battleship in the Straits of Otranto. One hit but caused little damage and no casualties.

THE RUSSIANS MAKING HEADWAY.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A Petrograd official statement says that the operations on the 22nd inst. were generally favourable to the Russian Arms on all fronts, especially on rivers Nida and Dunajetz in the Carpathians.

The Germans concentrated their efforts during the night and all day on the 22nd inst. in an attempt to force the rivers Bzura and Bawa in an effort to reach Skierniewice. They were thrown back across the rivers to their old positions, losing enormously.

EXPLANATION OF AUSTRIAN DEFEAT.

LONDON, Dec. 24, 6.45 a.m.

A Vienna communiqué, explaining the defeat in Serbia, states that sufficient regard is not paid to the difficulties created by the bad weather which had made impossible the supply of the troops. Several losses were thus inevitable.

The communiqué concludes by stating that Commander-in-Chief Potiorek has resigned on account of health, and has been succeeded by Archduke Eugen.

THE GERMAN CRUISER DRESDEN.

LONDON, Dec. 25, 9.45 p.m.

A Paris official telegram states that the German cruiser Dresden, which escaped from the battle off the Falkland Islands, reached Punta Arenas and left after coaling.

A MILLION VOLUNTEERS IN TRAINING.

War Office Recognition of Movement.

It is computed that nearly a million men

are now undergoing preparatory training in the ranks of civilian volunteer corps, and at a meeting in connection with the

Athletes' Volunteer Force last evening, says the "Daily Chronicle" of the 13th ult., Lord Desborough, the president, stated that the Government had decided to sanction the movement, the object of which are home defence and the promotion of recruiting.

Under pressure of business, he said, the War Office, when they were approached by a very large number of more or less irresponsible corps, with demands for uniforms, rifles, boots and so on, found themselves face to face with a situation with which it was very difficult for them to cope.

He thought the authorities had come to the conclusion that instead of dealing with a great many separate and scattered units they would prefer to sanction the Central Association of Volunteer Training Corps as the medium of their communications, and the body through whom any official sanction would come.

"And I think," he added, "a letter will be addressed to all these various corps to that effect. A letter is also to be addressed to the Lords' Lieutenant of Counties saying that bodies affiliated to the Central Association will be recognized. I believe members of such corps will be given a distinctive badge, which will be provided by the War Office. That is what has happened to-day."

In reply to questions, the Chairman said no commissions would be given by the War Office to these civilian corps. The War Office had no objection to corps wearing uniforms as long as they were not a colorful imitation of the Army in the field.

PILLAGE IN BELGIUM.

ORGANIZED LOOTING BY GERMAN OFFICERS.

Another Princely Thief.

We have received from a Belgian gentleman who left Brussels a few days ago, says the "Times" of the 8th ult., and in whose accuracy we have confidence, some remarkable details of the manner in which the pillage of Belgian country houses has been organized by the German military authorities. In every case we have been supplied with the names of the victims, who are for the most part well-known members of Belgian society.

It seems that the General Staff has compiled what may be called a "Duchess's Handbook for Plunderers in Belgium." In this the more comfortable houses are duly "starred" as if they were hotels. In the many cases where the heating apparatus has been installed by a German firm the authorities have been supplied with plans of the house—which facilitates the allotment of accommodation. The pillage of such articles as plate, china, pictures, miniatures, wine, and even ladies' dresses, although wholesale, is carried out with a degree of discrimination which testifies to the artistic culture of the visitors. The collection of a well-known connoisseur of Oriental china near Brussels was carefully packed up and removed, with the sole exception of certain "doubtful" pieces. No less a personage than Prince Charles of Hohenzollern himself, the brother-in-law of the King of the Belgians and brother of the King of Rumania, was to be seen directing the "furniture removals" with discerning eye.

A certain Belgian nobleman, whose country house was stripped in his absence of everything of value, applied to the German Governor of Brussels for redress, and, as a concession to his exalted rank, was allowed to investigate a depot near the Gare du Nord. Here he found 200 packing cases containing not only some of his own things, but some of his nephew's, who had been equally plundered. A lady near Bruges walked up her plate and pictures in the wine cellar. The Germans discovered this act of impropriety from people in the village, and took the lot.

A WISE CELLAR RANSACKED.

On the other hand, there have been cases in which officers have not only not stolen themselves but have prevented their men from doing so. In one instance, a party of men who had behaved well enough for some days during the presence of their officers returned later to the house without their officers on the pretence of looking for (imaginary) Belgian soldiers in plain clothes, broke open the wine cellar, drank 50 bottles, and carried away the whole of the rest of the contents, with the exception of four bottles of mineral water.

As for the conduct of Germans who have occupied houses, the description of their habitual and deliberate filthiness, only faintly suggested by Zola in "La Débâcle," is quite unprintable.

After the fall of Antwerp a proclamation was posted in Brussels, stating that permits to leave the city in motor-cars were to be obtained on payment of a fee. After 14,000 fr. (£720) had been collected in this way the Germans suddenly withdrew permission to leave and confiscated the numerous cars which had come forth from hiding for the purpose. It is now very difficult to obtain bread in Brussels, though there is an abundance of meat, butter, fruit, fish, milk, and vegetables. The harvest crop has been sent to Germany, as have also all desirable raw materials found in Belgian factories.

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A contemporary heads the appended parallel quotations "Philosophic Calm":

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on **MONDAY**, the 28th day of December, 1914, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of the right to Quarry Stone on the following Lots of CROWN LAND around Kowloon Bay, in the New Territories, and elsewhere in the Colony of Hongkong for a period extending from the 1st day of January up to and including the 31st day of Dec. 1915.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No.	Locality.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Approximate Area in Acres.
1	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 1	2.44	1,000
2	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 2	6.70	656
3	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 3	4.80	1,420
4	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 4	1.94	540
5	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 5	4.65	1,474
6	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 6	2.99	1,230
7	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 7	2.00	600
8	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 8	16.50	1,060
9	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 9	12.50	1,000
10	Block 10 Quarry Lot No. 10	12.00	770

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I—Authorized Capital £3,000,000

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II—Fire Fund £3,859,114

III—Life & Annuity Funds £1,139,180

Sinking Fund Account £3,512

£27,551,268

Revenue Fire Branch £2,667,158

Life and Annuity £1,973,269

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Revenue Marine Department £430,183

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The Accumulated Funds of the various

Branches are separately invested, and, by

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THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY,

THERAPION NO. 1

To-day's Advertisements

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL SPORTS OF THE ELLIS

KADOURIE COLLEGE will be

held on the RACE COURSE at HARRY

VALLEY on TUESDAY, 29th December

at 12 Noon.

J. SMITH,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 26, 1914. 1335

LIST OF UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

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Siga.....Seigon

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Willsprink.....Philadelphia

Yes Kee Chong

87 Cunnough Road.....Thames

W. D. ELVES,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 26, 1914. 1337

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "CHIYO MARU."

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, via

HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and

MANILA.

The above-named Steamer having arrived,

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified

to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-

signature, and to take immediate delivery

of Cargo from longshoremen on MON-

DAY, 28th December, at noon will be

landed at Consignees' risk and expense

and delivery must then be taken from the

Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be

effected.

No Claims will be recognized after the

Goods have left the Steamer or Godown,

and all Goods remaining undelivered on

FRIDAY, 1st January, will be subject

to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo

to be left on board or Godown, and

examination of same to be held on

WEDNESDAY, 8th January, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be filed on or before

FRIDAY, 8th December, otherwise

they will not be recognized.

O. WURU,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 26, 1914. 1336

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Hongkong, September 4, 1912.

FRENCH LESSONS

G. MOUSSON,

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CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.

1st SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS, FRIDAY, 27TH.

Holy Communion (8.05 a.m.).

Matins (11 a.m.).

Responses, Festal: Vanite, Hine, Paulus.

Boothoven, Garrett, Trumbull: To Drum.

Benedictus, Langdon, Hymns, 68, 70.

Evensong (5.45 p.m.) (Full Choir).

Responses, Festal: Paulus, Turle, Goss.

Turle, Purcell: Magnificat, Goss (7th

evening); Nunc Dimittis, Haverill

(7th evening); Hymns, 60, 376, 288.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Matins.

Responses—Festal: Vanite, Russell

Day 111, Paulus, As set: To Drum

St. Jude: Benedictus, Garrett:

Hymns, 83, 97.

Carols—"There Was a Time in Old Judea,"

"Jesu Hail."

National Anthem.

Evensong.

Hymn, 87; Responses, Festal: Paulus.

As set Magnificat, Goodough, 22nd

Evening: Nunc Dimittis, Foster.

Will Evening Hymns, 90, 80;

Kyrie, Mendelssohn.

Carols.

Vesper Hymn. National Anthem.

First Church of Christ Scientist.

Macdonnell Road

Sundays, 11.15 a.m.

Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Wanchai.

Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 6.15 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.

Arsenal Street.

Sunday Evening Gospel Service, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church.

Gordon Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by

the Benediction of the Blessed

Sacrament.

Roman Catholic Cathedral.

Glennally.

Low Masses at 6.7 and 9 a.m.

High Mass at 8 a.m.

5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed

Sacrament.

THE SONG OF THE

LANDWEHR.

German Soldiers' Banter of the

Allied Powers.

In one of the recent handy little papers

giving particulars of engagements issued

to the British soldier at the front appears

the song of the Landwehr. It was found

on one of the men of the 4th Company, 1st

Battalion, 106th Landwehr Regiment. It

was composed by Lieut. Kotsch, and the

song it will be seen, is not without some

humour:

Hi! Nicholas, my pretty chit,

Take my advice and stop it. Git!

We're just begun to stretch our legs.

We Landwehr.

The blithely exulting Landwehr.

You, too, you tinny President,

You're getting too impatient.

If you don't mend your manners quick,

We'll dust your breeks the same as Nick.

We Landwehr.

The stamping, stamping Landwehr.

And you, King George, whom nothing

shames,

Well soon be setting up your Thames

Making a truly German noise.

For we're the Kaiser's bonniest boys.

We Landwehr.